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1. There is a severe shortage of steel for high-speed metal lathes in Czechoslovakia.

As a result of the shortage of cobalt, low-grade steel blades are manufactured by the United Steelworks in Kladno. In recent months blades of low quality have been imported from the USSR. Small quantities of steel blades are imported illegally. In August 1951 a shipment of 50 kg of these blades was received and shipment of 25 kg

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